STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE BY HIS EXCELLENCY JOHN H. LYNCH, GOVERNOR

Executive Order 2007-1

An Order Establishing the Governor's New Hampshire Crime Commission

Whereas, the State of New Hampshire is one of the safest states in the nation in which to live and work;

Whereas, New Hampshire's steadfast commitment to crime prevention and public safety initiatives has ensured the high quality of life enjoyed by New Hampshire's citizens;

Whereas, state government has a fundamental responsibility to provide for the safety of its citizens, to preserve New Hampshire's high quality of life, and to continually reassess measures that are in place for the continued protection of its residents;

Whereas, collaboration and cooperation among law enforcement partners on a regional, statewide, county, and local level is essential to protect citizens, deter crime, enhance intelligence sharing, apprehend criminals, punish offenders, and support prevention and rehabilitation programs and activities;

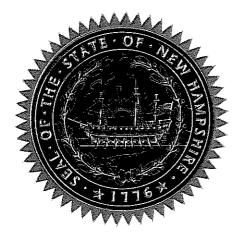
Whereas, the State must continually improve its public safety and criminal justice policies to pursue the most effective statewide strategy to reduce crime throughout New Hampshire;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John H. Lynch, Governor of the State of New Hampshire, by the authority vested in me pursuant to Part II, Article 41 of the Constitution of the State of New Hampshire, do hereby order as follows:

- 1. There is established the Governor's New Hampshire Crime Commission. The Commission shall be responsible for advising the Governor and for:
 (i) developing short-term public safety initiatives that will have an immediate impact on reducing crime in New Hampshire; (ii) recommending cooperative regional initiatives with New Hampshire's bordering states that will serve to enhance regional public safety and deter cross-border criminal activity; and (iii) identifying long-term strategies and policies aimed at keeping New Hampshire one of the safest states in the nation.
- 2. The Commission shall: assess the current status of crime prevention efforts in New Hampshire; examine the immediate causes and recent trends in criminal activity in New Hampshire; critique New Hampshire's collection, use and distribution of crime statistics, crime data and

intelligence-sharing capabilities; evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of New Hampshire's commitment of resources to combat crime; consider improvements to enhance the functioning of New Hampshire's prosecution efforts, correctional system and judicial system.

- 3. The Commission shall consist of the following members appointed by the Governor who shall serve at the pleasure of the Governor:
 - The Attorney General, who shall serve as Chair of the Commission;
 - The Commissioner of the Department of Safety or his designee;
 - The Commissioner of the Department of Corrections or his designee;
 - The Commissioner of the Department of Education or his designee;
 - Two representatives of the New Hampshire Association of Chiefs of Police, representing a town and a city;
 - A representative of the New Hampshire Sheriff's Association;
 - The director of the New Hampshire State Police or his designee;
 - Two representatives of the New Hampshire Police Association;
 - The director of the Police Standards and Training Council or his designee;
 - Two county attorneys;
 - An elected official of a municipality;
 - A representative of the New Hampshire Bar Association;
 - A representative of the Business and Industry Association;
 - A state senator;
 - Two members of the House of Representatives; and
 - A crime victim advocate or a victim of crime.
- 4. The Commission shall submit a final report to the Governor with recommendations on or before December 30, 2007.



Given under my hand and seal at the Executive Chambers in Concord, this 18th day of January, in the year of our Lord, two thousand and seven.

Governor of New Hampshire